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### SNO-BEN #2 MINE

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MINERALS PROGRAM  
FILE COPY

(revised December 10, 1990)

August 10, 1988	Received copy of the 6/10/88 NOI filed with the BLM by Overlook Limited, Inc. Site is at T5S, R24E, Sections 6 & 7, Uintah County, along the Green River.
August 19, 1988	Sent letter to Overlook requesting completion and submission of the enclosed MR-SMO form.
September 22, 1988	Received copy of the approved Application to Appropriate Water granted to Sno Ben, dated 8/19/88. Expires 8/19/89.
October 27, 1988	Letter to Overlook regarding site visit of 10/14/88. A copy of the rules and a MR-SMO form (to be completed and submitted) are enclosed. Overlook was informed of their need to contact the Division of Water Rights and the Division of Environmental Health for approval of the mining operation.
February 3, 1989	Received copy of letter from BWPC to Leo Snow (claimant of Sno-Ben #2) requesting that information describing the mining operation be submitted by 2/28/89.
February 6, 1989	Request for 1988 annual report sent to Overlook. [Nothing received by DOGM].
January 5, 1990	Request for 1989 annual report to Overlook. [Nothing received by DOGM].
February 26, 1990	Received BLM file information for Sno-Ben #1, #2, #3 and #5. BLM received the information 7/17/89. Sno-Ben #2's activity will be restricted to 5 acres of disturbance. No toxic materials will be utilized. Topsoil will be stored for further reclamation.
April 2, 1990	Received copy of BLM's Notice of Noncompliance of 3/30/90 sent via registered mail to Joseph LaStella as operator of the Sno-Ben #2 site. (BLM background information included in letter).

April 25, 1990	Received copy of BLM's 4/23/90 Notice of Noncompliance sent vial registered mail to <u>Leo Snow, et.al.</u> , for <u>Sno-Ben #4 and #5</u> .
June 6, 1990	DOGM registered letter sent to LaStella regarding the BLM Notice of Noncompliance. DOGM has not received an application nor issued a permit for the Sno-Ben operation. Rule R613-003-111 regarding failure or refusal to conduct reclamation is quoted. Failure to comply with the BLM directives or the State Mining Regulations may result in issuance of an Order to Show Cause requiring LaStella to indicate why the State should not require immediate reclamation of the site.
July 12, 1990	Registered letter of 6/6/90 returned to DOGM unopened.
July 25, 1990	Received copy of 7/24/90 BLM registered letter to Leo Snow, et.al., regarding noncompliance at the Sno-Ben #4 and #5 sites.
August 6, 1990	Received copy of BLM 8/6/90 letter to the State Director asking for assistance in delivering a letter of Noncompliance to Mr. LaStella. Registered letters of 3/30/90 and 4/30/90 were undelivered. The site appears abandoned with nearly 5 acres unreclaimed, 8 test pits open and an unsightly house trailer.
August 22, 1990	File memo regarding DOGM-BLM site inspection of 8/16/90. The disturbance covers approximately 4 acres and consists of several gravel piles, miscellaneous mining equipment and junk, a PVC pipeline from the river, a pit area, roads and a blown over trailer house. Photos were taken to document the visit.
Note:	Sites for the Pebble Puppy #2, Sno-Ben #4, and Sno-Ben #5 are nearby and were also visited.
October 1, 1990	Received copy of 9/28/90 BLM registered letter to <u>Leo Snow et.al.</u> , regarding noncompliance at the <u>Sno Ben #4 and #5 sites</u> .

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Received copy of 12/5/90 BLM registered letter to LaStella regarding the Notice of Noncompliance for Sno-Ben #2. Also received copy of the letter sent to BLM district managers in Salt Lake and Moab, Utah; Grand Junction, Colorado; and Rock Springs, Wyoming, informing them of the record of noncompliance. LaStella is ordered to submit, within 30 days of receipt of this letter, details on how full reclamation of the Sno-Ben #2 site will be accomplished. If the order is not followed, the BLM will conduct reclamation and initiate procedures to collect the expense of such reclamation from LaStella.

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